

## The State of New Hampshire State Board for the Licensing and Regulation of Plumbers

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## JANUARY 2004 NEWSLETTER

The Board is pleased to announce that we have improved our current website. You can now download renewal forms, apprentice information, complaint forms and find updates on seminar classes and much more. Please take a few moments to browse the new website.. http://webster.state.nh.us/plumbing/

The International Plumbing Code 2000 officially became effective on Thursday, October 24, 2002. The State Code Review Committee has met and is in the process of drafting Administrative Rules. Once these rules are in place, the Committee will begin a review of our proposed amendments. We do have some amendments in place on an interim basis that allows the code to be enforced in this State.

All plumbers attending a seminar after November 1, 2002 must have a copy of the 2000 International Plumbing Code. The interim code amendments will be available at all seminars.

The Board approved the formation of a dispute resolution committee to further the Board's ongoing efforts to ensure the safety and interest of the consumers of plumbing services in New Hampshire and to give both the professional plumbers licensed in the State of New Hampshire and the consumers an efficient way to resolve disputes which do not appear to rise to the level of a violation of the Plumbing Code. The consumer complaints targeted will include disputes and questions concerning fees, timeliness of work and quality of work completed. If you would be interested in volunteering, please contact this office.

Exam questions will be based on the new code as of the March 2003 exam. Apprentice classes will be using the new code as of September 2002.

MASTER PLUMBERS: Please make sure ALL your apprentices have an **APPRENTICE AGREEMENT**. This is separate from the yellow ID card issued by the Plumbing Board. When the apprentice renews his card, we are now requiring that they send a copy of their "Apprentice Agreement". Contact Dick Grandmaison or Jack Jarvis at 225-1444 if you have any questions.

Masters, please make sure all your employees are licensed and that they carry their I.D. card with them. You may be liable if your employee is on the job without the proper identification card.

All corporations, partnerships and LLC's require a corporate license as per RSA 329-A:10. Please feel free to contact the Plumbers' Licensing Board for more information.

In 2003, 65 complaints were registered with the Board and investigated. Since August of 2003, 8 unlicensed plumbers were charged in district court and found guilty.

Any person whose license has been expired for more than 60 days is **NOT LICENSED**. He or she shall be required to re-apply for the appropriate examination, and pass it with a minimum grade of 70% to become licensed again. This is according to RSA 329-A:7.

**REMINDER!** All new or repaired potable water systems shall be disinfected or chlorinated prior to being put into use. (refer to section 610 of the IPC 2000). This may be a requirement of the local inspector at the time of final inspection or prior to a certificate of occupancy being issued

## **SEMINARS**

All Master and Journeyman Plumbers shall attend one plumbing code seminar **before** they renew their license each year. The board has approved the following to conduct seminars.

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| 101-04 | Diumbing Education Campiage   | a Todd Eve                           | C                         | 200 0000  |                           |    |                         |
| 101-04 | Plumbing Education Services Jan 20 Nashua 24 Portsmouth   | Feb                                  | 10                        | Nashua<br>Concord                               | Mar                       |    | Nashua<br>Portsmouth    |
| 102-04 | Local Union 131, 669-7307.  | Feb                                  | 9                         | Hooksett  |                           |    |                         |
| 103-04 | Keene Community Education<br>Jan 12 Keene<br>(Nancy Allen)  | <b>1, 357-0088</b><br>Feb<br>(Joe Pr | 10                        | Keene<br>cher)                                  | Mar<br>Nancy              | -  | Keene<br>)              |
| 04-04  | Roy Pender, phone & fax 942   | 2-5071.                              |                           |   |                           |    |                         |
| 107-04 | NH Community Technical Co<br>Jan 28 Claremont   | llege at Cla<br>Feb                  |                           | <b>nt, 542-7744 x22</b><br>Claremont            | <b>07. Nancy A</b><br>Mar |    | Instructor<br>Claremont |
| 108-04 | Professional Plumbing Seminars, day #626-7371, out of area #1-800-807-9827, after 5 p.m. Jack Vaillancourt 624-1190 and Richard Zannini 929-7459. |                                      |                           |   |                           |    |                         |
|        | Jack Valliancourt 624-1190 at<br>Jan 6 Manchester<br>7 Exeter<br>20 Manchester<br>22 Haverhill MA<br>29 Dover                                     | Feb                                  | 3<br>17                   | Manchester<br>Manchester<br>Manchester<br>Salem | Mar                       |    |                         |
| 111-04 | NHPMC, 483-8200.  |                                      |                           |   |                           |    |                         |
| 112-0  | 4 Philip J. Cocchiaro,  | Jr, office 64                        | 11-735                    | 58, home 497-262                                | 4.                        |    |                         |
| 113-04 | Michael Capsalis, 744-5959.   |                                      |                           |   |                           |    |                         |
| 114-04 | Scott Allen, 752-1553. Jan 12 Rochester 21 Lancaster  | Feb                                  | 2                         | Rochester                                       |                           |    |                         |
| 115-04 | Thomas J. Roberts, home 48 Jan 5 Twin Mtn 12 Laconia 26 Concord   | <b>35-8811, off</b><br>Feb           | i <b>ce 27</b><br>9<br>23 | <b>11-5274.</b><br>Conway<br>Concord            | Mar                       | 29 | Concord                 |
| 16-04  | Andy O'Hara   |                                      |                           |   |                           |    |                         |
| 117-04 | Leonard Wolf, 382-2210 Jan 5 Plaistow   | Feb                                  | 2                         | Plaistow  | Mar                       | 2  | Plaistow                |
| 118-04 | Pete Stone 978-688-0438   |                                      |                           |   | -                         |    |                         |

This agency is not responsible for any changes in dates, times or locations of seminars.

\*\*Additional seminar programs will be listed when they are approved.\*\*

Notice: Seminars can be given by any individual, school, association or institution that complies with PLU 402.01 and is certified by the Board. Individuals who are interested in conducting seminars should contact this office for further information.